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NCEES discontinuing PE Software Engineering exam

NCEES will discontinue the Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Software Engineering exam after the April 2019 exam administration. Since the original offering in 2013, the exam has been administered five times, with a total population of 81 candidates. Only 19 candidates registered for the April 2018 administration. Per NCEES exam development policy, the Committee on Examination Policy and Procedures (EPP) is required to review the history of any exam with fewer than 50 total first-time examinees from NCEES jurisdictions in two consecutive administrations and provide recommendations to the NCEES board of directors concerning the desirability of continuing the exam.

At the January 2018 meeting, the EPP Committee reviewed the history of the PE Software Engineering exam, the low candidate population, and the potential for increasing the number of first-time examinees. After consideration of all information, the EPP Committee recommended that NCEES discontinue the PE Software Engineering exam.

At its February 2018 meeting, the NCEES board of directors accepted the EPP Committee's recommendation to discontinue offering the PE Software Engineering exam. Since this exam is offered only once per year, the board directed that NCEES discontinue the PE Software Engineering exam after the April 2019 exam administration.

NCEES provided official notification to all member boards of the discontinuation of the PE Software Engineering exam in accordance with policy.

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ABOUT NCEES

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NCEES helps its member licensing boards carry out their duties to regulate the professions of engineering and surveying. It develops best-practice models for state licensure laws and regulations and promotes uniformity among the states. It develops and administers the exams used for engineering and surveying licensure throughout the country. It also provides services to help licensed engineers and surveyors practice their professions in other U.S. states and territories. For more information, please visit ncees.org.